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REFERENCE TO: MISSION 1108 CHINESE MILITARY ACTIVITY
 CHENPAO ISLAND SKIRMISH AREA
 CHINA
 46-29N 133-51E

1. SIGNIFICANCE: THIS BOARD DEPICTS CONSTRUCTION OF DEFENSIVE POSITIONS JUST WEST OF CHENPAO (DAMANSKY) ISLAND CHINA.
2. LOCATION: VICINITY OF CHENPAO (DAMANSKY) ISLAND 46-29N 133-51E.
3. BACKGROUND: ON 2 AND 15 MARCH 1969, THE CHINESE AND SOVIETS ENGAGED IN AN ARMED CONFLICT ON CHENPAO ISLAND. THE CONSTRUCTION OF DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND STRONGPOINTS BY THE CHINESE CORRESPONDS TO OTHER RECENT MILITARY MOVEMENTS IN NORTHERN AND WESTERN CHINA.
4. MISSION READOUT: THIS MISSION REVEALS THE CHINESE HAVE CONSTRUCTED HEAVY MACHINEGUN (HMG) AAA POSITIONS, DEFENSIVE LINES, STRONG POINTS, PROBABLE MORTAR POSITIONS, POSSIBLE VEHICLE REVETMENTS, COMMUNICATIONS/PERSONNEL TRENCHES AND NEW ROADS IN AN AREA APPROXIMATELY NINE NAUTICAL MILES (NM) SQUARE JUST WEST OF CHENPAO (DAMANSKY) ISLAND.

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AT LEAST EIGHT HMG AAA POSITIONS ARE OBSERVED IN THIS GENERAL AREA, THREE OF WHICH ARE LOCATED ABOUT NINE NM NORTH-NORTHWEST OF THE KUNGSSU BORDER SECURITY STATION (46-27-30N 133-50-10E).

A LARGE HILL, LOCATED 3.8 NM NORTH-NORTHWEST OF THE BORDER SECURITY STATION IS OBSERVED WITH A DEFENSIVE LINE AND STRONG POINTS ALONG THE RIDGE LINE. A POSSIBLE COMMUNICATIONS TRENCH WITH PROBABLE REVETMENTS IS LOCATED JUST NORTH OF AND BEHIND THE RIDGE. ALSO, TWO HMG AAA POSITIONS ARE OBSERVED ON THE WEST AND SOUTH EDGE OF THE HILL. TWO SUPPLY POINTS ARE LOCATED ON A ROAD RUNNING NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE BASE OF THE HILL.

THERE ARE AT LEAST EIGHT OTHER DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WITH REVETMENTS SITUATED THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

THREE NEW ROADS SERVE THE DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN THE GENERAL AREA.

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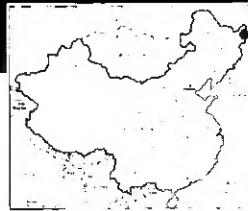
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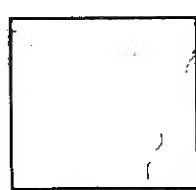
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